

REMARKS

In light of the above amendments and remarks to follow, reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested.

Claims 2-18 and 22 and amended claims 1 and 19-21 are in this application.

Claims 1-22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Otsuka et al (US 6,065,010) in view of Saraceno *Video Content Extraction And Representation Using A Joint Audio And Video Processing* and Mamiya (US 6,018,744)

Independent claim 1, as amended herein, recites in part as follows:

“... wherein the extracted information includes at least two of the following three items: (i) property information, (ii) thumbnail information, and (iii) title information, in which the property information pertains to a number of attributes of said plurality of files, and the **thumbnail information includes a plurality of representative images which represent the plurality of files**, and the property information is correlated to the file and the thumbnail information or the title information” (Underlining and bold added for emphasis.)

It is respectfully submitted that the combination of references as applied by the Examiner do not appear to teach the above identified portion of claim 1. Accordingly, amended independent claim 1 is believed to be distinguishable from the applied combination of Otsuka, Saraceno, and Miyama.

For reasons similar to those described above with regard to claim 1, amended independent claims 19-21 are believed to be distinguishable from the applied combination of Otsuka, Saraceno, and Miyama.

Claims 2-18 and 22 depend from claims 1 and 21, and, due to such dependency, are believed to be distinguishable from the applied combination of Otsuka, Saraceno, and Miyama for at least the reasons previously described.

Therefore, withdrawal of the above 103 rejection to claims 1-22 is respectfully requested.

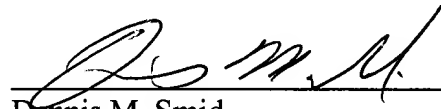
In the event, that the Examiner disagrees with any of the foregoing comments concerning the disclosures in the cited prior art, it is requested that the Examiner indicate where, in the reference or references, there is the basis for a contrary view.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is believed that all of the claims in this application are patentable over the prior art, and early and favorable consideration thereof is solicited.

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